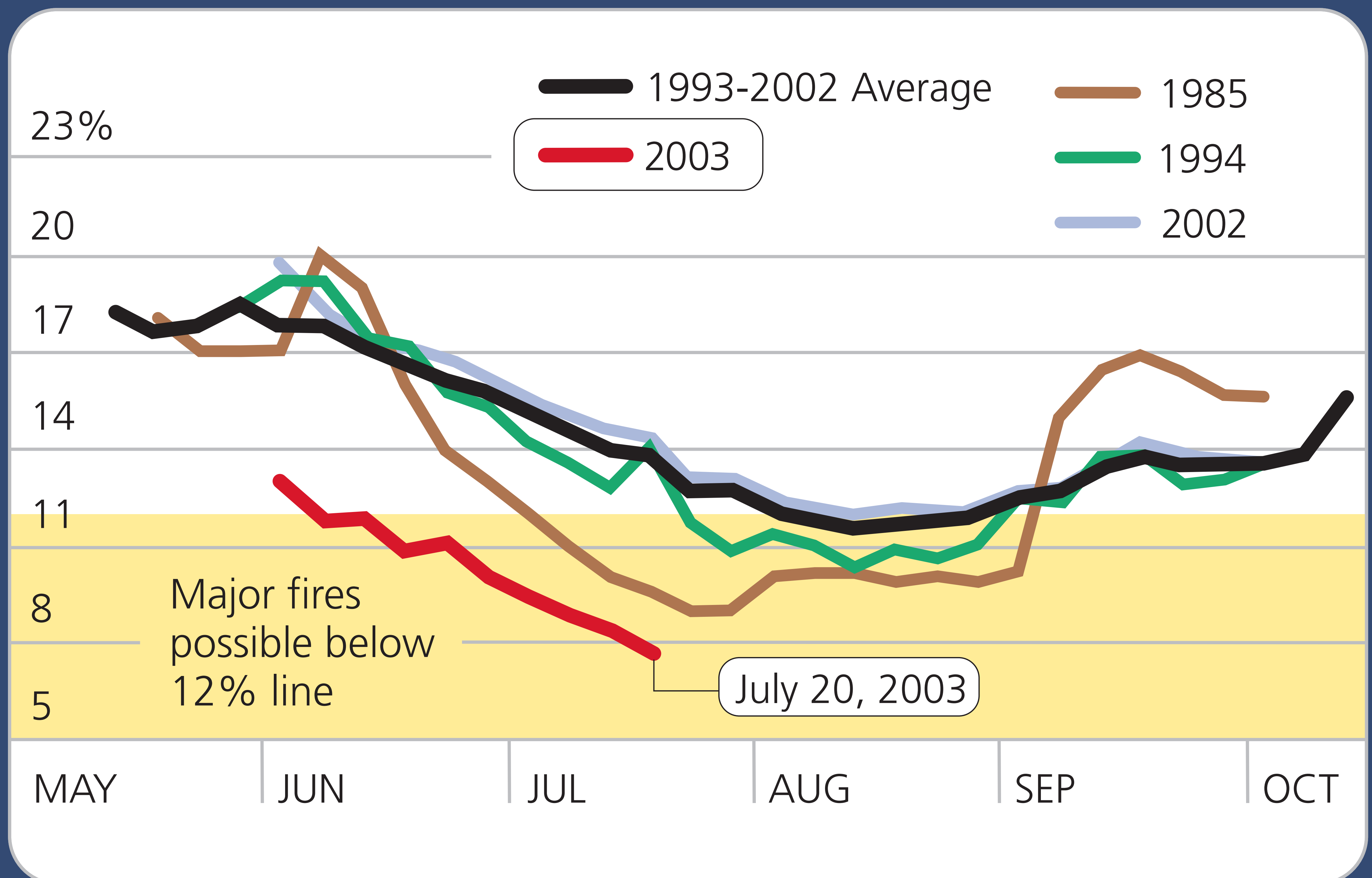


Moisture level in dead wood/forest fuels 6-8" diameter



This chart provides a 10-year comparison of the percentage of moisture measured in fallen trees and other dead wood about six to eight inches in diameter standing or on the ground in Eastern Washington. This dead wood, known as heavy fuels, feeds wildfires. The drier the heavy fuels, the hotter the fire. Heavy fuels respond more slowly to daily changes in moisture than lighter fuels such as sticks and grasses.